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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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Examiner: Haghighatian, Mina

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FOR: CGMP PDE 5 INHIBITORS FOR INHALATION IN THE TREATMENT

OF SEXUAL DYSFUNCTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated June 18, 2002 finally rejecting claims 21-29.

 \boxtimes Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation in the amount of \$320 for payment of the appeal fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

The appeal fee was paid in a previous appeal herein. The examiner re-opened prosecution prior to any decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. No fee is now due.

X Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time.

Respectfully submitted,

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